

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Adkisson et al.

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Title: **METHOD OF FABRICATING DOPED POLYSILICON LINES**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents & Trademarks
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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on Sept, 13, 2006, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the species (A) of FIGs. 1A-1D, the claims readable thereon being 1-20.

Applicants point out, that the differences between species A, B and C is the sequence of the three ion implantations. However, none of the claims recite a particular sequence for the ion implantations and claims 1-20 are generic to all species.

With regard to the Electron requirement, Applicants respectfully submit that even if claims are presented in future to a particular sequence of ion implantations for species B or C, the subject matter of those claims would be sufficiently related such that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims without serious burden. See MPEP § 803, in which it is stated that “if the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions” (emphasis added). Applicants respectfully submit that this policy should

apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account 09-0456.

Should the Examiner require or request anything further from Applicant's prior to examination, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the Agent Direct Dial telephone number below. Otherwise, Applicants request early and favorable examination on the merits

Respectfully submitted,
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